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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Office to consider the enclosed Supplemental Information

Disclosure Statement and associated references.

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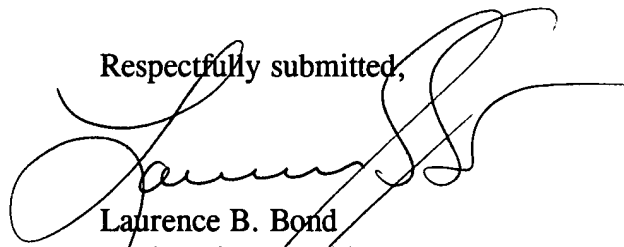
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The references cited in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement were contained in a Supplementary European Search Report dated January 31, 2000 communicated by the European Patent Office for the counterpart EP patent application 97916086.8. A copy of the Supplementary Search Report is also included in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement for the Examiner's convenience.

In further support of this petition, applicants' representative submits a check for the fee provided for by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i).

Respectfully submitted,

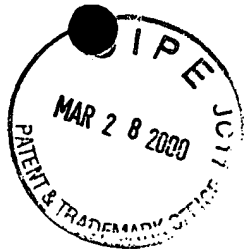


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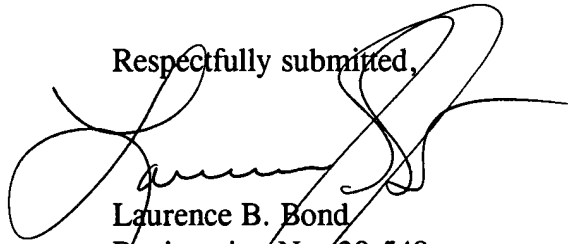
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Petition to have the Office to consider the enclosed Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and associated references. The undersigned attorney of record in the matter states:

That each item of information contained in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith was cited in a Supplementary European Search Report dated January 31, 2000 in European Patent Office counterpart patent application EP 97 91 6086.

If any questions exist after consideration of the foregoing, the Office is kindly requested to contact applicants' attorney at the address or telephone number given herein.

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